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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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SIR:

In advance of prosecution, reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in light of the following amendment and remarks. A waiver of the rules under 37 C.F.R. §1.121 is respectfully requested.

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